

**MINUTES OF THE FREMONT RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING  
County Courthouse, Loa, Utah  
January 19, 2000**

Minutes of the Fremont River Distribution System held at Loa, Utah, January 19, 2000. The meeting convened at 2:40 p.m. with Lee Sim conducting.

Lee brought the meeting to order. Minutes of the previous year's meeting were read by John Larsen of the Salt Lake Water Rights Office. No corrections were necessary so the minutes were approved by Richard Jensen, seconded by Cathy Bagley, all approved.

Lee Sim then read the financial report. The balance of the distribution Trust Funds at the beginning of the year was \$3,931.27, receipts at \$4,680.21 with a balance of \$5,418.60 at the end of the year. He reported there was one delinquent water assessment for 1999 in the name of Randy Hoovey, which has been purchased by State Stone. Lee mentioned the amount expended for contractual services was for both 1998 and 1999. Commissioner Jan Ellett indicated he had submitted all travel expenses for the past year. A motion was then made by Richard Jensen to accept the financial report, seconded by Kay Hickman. The motion carried.

The River Commissioner then gave an oral report on the activities on the river for 1999. He mentioned water supplies for the 1999 season were very good with ample supply in the river through the entire season. Rain during the summer really helped with the water supply. The Maxfields and Alexanders did not use much water last year. John Alexander diversion and the Asay diversion need measuring devices placed so measurements can be taken on the water they use. Alexanders are supposed to repair their head gates so water can be measured this year. The Snotel report places snow pack on this drainage currently at 40% of normal. Last year at this time it was 110% of normal. Flows in Pleasant Creek and Oak Creek have been normal so far. Lee mentioned the Water Rights office will make copies of the commissioner's report and send them to the water users. A motion was made by Alvin Robison to accept the commissioner's report, seconded by Ed White, all approved.

Richard Nielsen gave a report on the construction taking place on the Garkane Canal. He mentioned the canal has been cleaned, breaks repaired and flood devices have been installed. The size of the canal has been narrowed and deepened with the two four foot head gates replaced with one three foot head gate which has been raised up. Riprap has been placed along the river below the radial gate to prevent erosion. Pipelines on the lower end are being moved to accommodate the users. Hickman Valley water users are extending the pipeline to a sluice gate to increase efficiency of this system. This should be completed this year.

Lee discussed the budget for next year with the water users. The budget was proposed at \$4,650.00 and the assessment at \$3,000.00. A motion was made by Cathy Bagley to accept the budget and assessment, seconded by Richard Nielsen, all approved.

A motion was then made by Richard Nielsen and seconded by Ed White to nominate Jan Ellett as the commissioner for 2000. All approved.

Lee then invited nominations for committee members for the upcoming year. Richard Nielsen made a motion to have the committee members remain the same as last year and put them back in by acclamation, seconded by Kay Hickman, all approved.

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Those attending the meeting:

Jan Ellett	River Commissioner
Lee Sim	Div. of Water Rights
John S. Larsen	Div. of Water Rights
Richard Jensen	Water User
Alvin Robison	Hanksville Canal Co.
Cathy Bagley	Torrey Irrigation Co.
Kay Hickman	Water User
Leon Chappell	Torrey Irrigation
Ed White	Water User
Phillip Pace	Torrey Irrigation Co.